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SUBJECT: ABORTION LAW PROBLEM

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WE AGREE WITH EMBASSY'S COMMENT, PARA 5 REF A, ON DYNAMICS (OR LACK THEREOF) IN SITUATION. WE HAVE SOUGHT TO REMIND FRENCH IN LOW KEY WAY IN DEPUTY POLAD CHANNEL OF OUR INTEREST, FOR POLITICAL REASONS TIED TO BERLIN SENSITIVITIES, IN HELPING GERMSN WITH THEIR POLITICAL PROBLEM, BUT UNTIL AND UNLESS FRG CAN CONVINCE FRENCH THAT THERE IS SOME ALLIED PURPOSE TO BE SERVED IN FINDING FORMULA WHICH DOES NOT VIOLATE EITHER ALLIED OR GERMAN LEGAL VIEWS, WE WOULD NOT EXPECT MUCH RESPONSE. MEANSHILE, LEGAL DISCREPANCIES EXIST BETWEEN FRG AND BERLIN LAWS ON ABORTION, BUT PRACTICAL PROBLEMS CAN PRESUMABLY CONTINUE TO BE AVOIDED BY USE OF ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES DESCRIBED REF B UNTIL SUCH TIME AS NEW LEGISLATION IS PREPARED IN BUNDESTAG. GEORGE
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